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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 7, 2006. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire October 7, 2006; accordingly, applicants have petitioned for a three-month extension of time, which makes the ultimate due date for response January 7, 2007. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Initially, Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper, and include an attached appendix with one replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page **14** of this paper.

An **Appendix**, including amended drawing figures, is attached following page **26** of this paper.